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ITS Intern Program Reaches Record Size

With 157 interns and student employees (and counting) working at ITS this semester, we welcomed our largest intern cohort yet! These interns are supporting teams across ITS, including integrated communications, web development, cybersecurity and more, gaining hands-on experience on real-world projects. This semester's cohort was selected from 3,271 applicants (an 83% increase since spring 2025) and includes 47% returning interns, 20% first-generation students and representation from six states and five countries. The top majors across this intern cohort are information technology, computer science, management information systems, engineering and marketing. We cannot wait to see what this cohort achieves!

[Read More About the ITS Intern Cohort](#)

ITS News

AWS Day

AWS is coming to FSU! The FSU-AWS Researcher Showcase and Awards Event will take place at Innovation Park in the Technology Services Building on March 3,

2026, for a celebration of excellence in research cloud innovation. The day will feature an exciting lineup of research presentations, sessions on emerging technologies and behind-the-scenes looks at how students and faculty are using cloud tools in their work. Awards will honor outstanding researchers who have demonstrated exceptional creativity, impact and technical excellence in leveraging AWS cloud computing to advance scientific discovery. The event is open to faculty, researchers and IT professionals.

[Register Now](#)

ITS Chili Cook-Off

The ITS Chili Master title is back up for grabs! Mark your calendars for the annual ITS Chili Cook-Off. This exciting event will take place on Thursday, February 19, 2026, with tasting starting at noon in the TSB Commons. Staff will vote to determine the winner. Please RSVP if you plan to attend or enter this year's cook-off!

[RSVP](#)

Zoom Phone Resources for IT Pros

The ITS Zoom Phone project team needs IT professionals to support department migrations to Zoom Phone. During pre-migration, you will work with department users to identify individual lines, shared lines and physical phone needs. During migration week, you will pick up physical phones for your department(s), and on migration day, you will install phones, troubleshoot with the ITS project team and confirm users can access and use Zoom Phone. Post-migration will involve collecting old Avaya phones and coordinating pick-up with ITS.

[Read More](#)

Opt in to ACME Automated SSL Certificate Renewals

SSL certificate lifespans are decreasing (200 days on March 15, 100 days in 2027, 47 days in 2029). Avoid manual renewals and expired certification warnings by enabling automatic renewal through ACME. [Request an ACME account](#) from ISPO and install an ACME client ([Certbot](#) is a common choice).

[Get ACME](#)

Important Information for Intern

Supervisors

Applications for intern requests open in May in the ITS Intern Connect app. After your approved position is advertised and posted to Nole Network for a month, you will receive a packet of resumes to review and begin interviews. Hire thoughtfully, ask meaningful questions, check references, confirm any other campus roles and clearly set expectations. After selection, submit the ITS Intern Personnel Action Request Form to ITS-Personnel@fsu.edu. HR will complete a background check and I-9 verification, and you and the intern will receive onboarding updates.

Intern Connect App

Duo Certification Updates

Starting February 2, 2026, two major changes to Duo went into effect. Devices not running Duo Mobile 4.85.0 or later no longer receive push alerts (with Version 3.8 and lower losing all functions) and support for Android 11 and iOS 16 was phased out. Make sure your Duo app is version 4.85.0 or later and ensure the device you are using for 2FA is running a supported operating system to avoid service disruptions.

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Submit Articles for *PursulTS*

Whether it is an event your team is planning, an award your employee received or a project update, we want to hear from you. Submit today for your chance to be featured in next month's edition of *PursulTS*!

Submit Here

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ITS at the Capitol

ITS tabled at FSU Day at the Capitol on January 21, engaging with the FSU and Tallahassee community while showcasing our projects and initiatives. Our 3D printer drew crowds and sparked great conversation about campus technology. On January 22, ITS was also at the College of Law's AI Day in the Capital, where CIO **Jonathan Fozard** spoke about responsible AI in public institutions. Thanks to everyone who stopped by and helped showcase ITS' work and impact!

We Are IT



We Are IT | Meet Chloe Arrington!

Chloe Arrington joined ITS in October 2025 as the marketing communications

coordinator on the Integrated Communications team. She thrives in collaborative environments, bringing a passion for communication and a love of technology to brainstorming and project development. Chloe was raised in Australia and then spent nearly a decade in Canada before moving to the USA in 2017. Outside the office, she enjoys reading, sewing, gaming, producing digital content and visiting Disney World.

Meet Chloe



Intern Spotlight: Rimsha Mahboob

"Interning with both **NCT** and the **College of Nursing IT** team has shown me two sides of FSU's technology world, from how the network operates behind the scenes to hands-on daily IT support. I came in nervous without much experience, but both teams welcomed me like family and encouraged every question. It's been the perfect way to apply my coursework in real-world scenarios as I head into my final semester."

Happy Anniversary!

Happy work anniversary to all the ITS employees celebrating milestone anniversaries with FSU this month.

20 Years

Rebekah Dorn

15 Years

Charles McCann
Kelly Simon

10 Years

Blaine Fasone

5 Years

Semhal Redda
Davud Dautbasic

1 Year

Mark Peedin
Serita Draper

Alada De Nobrega
Elizabeth Pitts
Shantas Nixon

Lyann Cruz Rodriguez
Harmony Thaxton
Francisca Chinchilla
Dan Adams

Shout Outs



Jonathan Fozard Wins CIO of the Year Award

Congratulations to our CIO **Jonathan Fozard** for winning the CIO of the Year Award in the Large Enterprise category at the Florida ORBIE Awards! Jonathan's constant commitment to driving ITS forward and championing innovation and collaboration has transformed how we support FSU's teaching, research and operations. This honor recognizes Jonathan's visionary leadership and tireless dedication to advancing ITS.



Joe Thomas Honored with Police Service Award

In January, **Joe Thomas** was recognized for his outstanding support of the law enforcement community. Day or night, Joe responds to calls from the FSU Police Department and provides invaluable information that aids their investigations. Congratulations, Joe, on a job exceptionally well done!

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3,271

applicants for the ITS spring intern cohort

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**Social Hour at
Deep Brewing
Company**
02/12



IT Roundtable
02/25



**HR Info Session:
What To Do
When...**
03/05



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Questions?

We are here to help. Contact the ITS Service Desk at 850-644-4357 or its.fsu.edu/help.

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